

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A method of calibrating a topography for a client,  
2 said method comprising:  
3 identifying one or more client attributes  
4 corresponding to the client;  
5 comparing the identified client attributes to one or  
6 more topographical components;  
7 selecting one or more of the topographical components  
8 based on the comparing; and  
9 installing the selected topographical components on  
10 one or more client computer systems.
  
- 1 2. The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:  
2 grouping a plurality of calibration factors into one  
3 or more calibration sets, wherein the comparing  
4 further includes comparing the identified client  
5 attributes to the calibration factor sets.
  
- 1 3. The method as described in claim 2 wherein the  
2 calibration factors are selected from the group  
3 consisting of centralized management, branch office  
4 management, transaction based, small team, hybrid  
5 management, discipline oriented management, resource  
6 oriented management, personal management, and no  
7 management required.
  
- 1 4. The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:  
2 storing one or more calibration factors corresponding  
3 to each of the topographical components in a  
4 component metadata file, wherein the comparing  
5 further includes comparing the identified client  
6 attributes with the calibration factors stored in  
7 the metadata file;

8 identifying one or more components based on the  
9 comparing; and  
10 retrieving the identified components from a  
11 topographical component library.

1 5. The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:  
2 packaging the selected topographical components in a  
3 topography installation file; and  
4 transmitting the topography installation file to the  
5 client computer system.

1 6. The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:  
2 gathering the client attributes, the gathering  
3 including examining one or more attributes  
4 selected from the group consisting of client  
5 organization charts, client information  
6 technology, client surveys, client requirements,  
7 client physical environments, and client location  
8 data.

1 7. The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:  
2 installing one or more topography neutral application  
3 components on the client computer systems,  
4 wherein the topography neutral application  
5 components is adapted to interoperate with more  
6 than one topography.

1 8. An information handling system comprising:  
2 one or more processors;  
3 a memory accessible by the processors;  
4 one or more nonvolatile storage devices accessible by  
5 the processors;

6       a topography calibration tool to calibrate a  
7               topography installed on a computer system, the  
8               topography calibration tool including:  
9       means for identifying one or more client attributes  
10              corresponding to the client;  
11       means for comparing the identified client attributes  
12              to one or more topographical components;  
13       means for selecting one or more of the topographical  
14              components based on the comparing; and  
15       means for installing the selected topographical  
16              components on one or more client computer  
17              systems.

1       9. The information handling system as described in claim  
2              8 further comprising:  
3       means for grouping a plurality of calibration factors  
4              into one or more calibration sets, wherein the  
5              comparing further includes comparing the  
6              identified client attributes to the calibration  
7              factor sets.

1       10. The information handling system as described in claim  
2              9 wherein the calibration factors are selected from  
3              the group consisting of centralized management, branch  
4              office management, transaction based, small team,  
5              hybrid management, discipline oriented management,  
6              resource oriented management, personal management, and  
7              no management required.

1       11. The information handling system as described in claim  
2              8 further comprising:  
3       means for storing one or more calibration factors  
4              corresponding to each of the topographical

5 components in a component metadata file, wherein  
6 the comparing further includes comparing the  
7 identified client attributes with the calibration  
8 factors stored in the metadata file;  
9 means for identifying one or more components based on  
10 the comparing; and  
11 means for retrieving the identified components from a  
12 topographical component library.

1 12. The information handling system as described in claim  
2 8 further comprising:  
3 means for packaging the selected topographical  
4 components in a topography installation file; and  
5 means for transmitting the topography installation  
6 file to the client computer system.

1 13. The information handling system as described in claim  
2 8 further comprising:  
3 means for gathering the client attributes, the means  
4 for gathering including examining one or more  
5 attributes selected from the group consisting of  
6 client organization charts, client information  
7 technology, client surveys, client requirements,  
8 client physical environments, and client location  
9 data.

1 14. A computer program product stored in a computer  
2 operable media for calibrating a topography for a  
3 client, said computer program product comprising:  
4 means for identifying one or more client attributes  
5 corresponding to the client;  
6 means for comparing the identified client attributes  
7 to one or more topographical components;

8       means for selecting one or more of the topographical  
9            components based on the comparing; and  
10      means for installing the selected topographical  
11            components on one or more client computer  
12            systems.

1   15. The computer program product as described in claim 14  
2        further comprising:

3        means for grouping a plurality of calibration factors  
4            into one or more calibration sets, wherein the  
5            comparing further includes comparing the  
6            identified client attributes to the calibration  
7            factor sets.

1   16. The computer program product as described in claim 15  
2        wherein the calibration factors are selected from the  
3            group consisting of centralized management, branch  
4            office management, transaction based, small team,  
5            hybrid management, discipline oriented management,  
6            resource oriented management, personal management, and  
7            no management required.

1   17. The computer program product as described in claim 14  
2        further comprising:

3        means for storing one or more calibration factors  
4            corresponding to each of the topographical  
5            components in a component metadata file, wherein  
6            the comparing further includes comparing the  
7            identified client attributes with the calibration  
8            factors stored in the metadata file;  
9        means for identifying one or more components based on  
10          the comparing; and

11       means for retrieving the identified components from a  
12                   topographical component library.

1   18. The computer program product as described in claim 14  
2                   further comprising:

3       means for packaging the selected topographical  
4                   components in a topography installation file; and  
5       means for transmitting the topography installation  
6                   file to the client computer system.

1   19. The computer program product as described in claim 14  
2                   further comprising:

3       means for gathering the client attributes, the means  
4                   for gathering including examining one or more  
5                   attributes selected from the group consisting of  
6                   client organization charts, client information  
7                   technology, client surveys, client requirements,  
8                   client physical environments, and client location  
9                   data.

1   20. The computer program product as described in claim 14  
2                   further comprising:

3       means for installing one or more topography neutral  
4                   application components on the client computer  
5                   systems, wherein the topography neutral  
6                   application components is adapted to interoperate  
7                   with more than one topography.

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